# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

# **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 0742-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 167

<u>Subject</u>: Changes the amount the state will pay for institutionalization of children.

Type: Original

<u>Date</u>: January 29, 2001

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004				
General Revenue	(\$632,224) to (\$3,582,750)	(\$770,100) to (\$4,428,279)	(\$781,500) to (\$4,561,127)				
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	(\$632,224) to (\$3,582,750)	(\$770,100) to (\$4,428,279)	(\$781,500) to (\$4,561,127)				

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004				
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0				

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS						
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004			
Local Government	\$632,224 to \$3,582,750	\$770,100 to \$4,428,279	\$781,500 to \$4,561,127			

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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#### **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Office of Administration** and **State Courts Administrator** assume the proposed legislation would not have a fiscal impact on their organizations.

Officials from the **Department of Corrections** did not respond to our request for a fiscal impact statement. **Oversight** assumes this proposal will not fiscally impact their agency.

Officials from the **St. Louis Family Court (St. Louis Court)** indicated the proposal would increase their expected revenues between \$125,682 and \$837,880 annually depending on the reimbursement amount (\$20 - \$37 per day). Officials from the St. Louis Court stated the revenues are based on current days and a full year. No inflationary increases were calculated. **Oversight** will reflect the increased revenues to all local governments in the same amount as the increased expenditures to the Department of Social Services.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services (DOS)** assume this proposal will impact state funds as the proposal requires counties to be reimbursed a minimum of \$20 per day instead of the current \$17 a day, beginning with billings received for juveniles in detention after August 28, 2001.

The DOS estimates 252,900 days reimbursed at \$3 (\$20 - \$17) extra per day which totals \$758,700 or \$632,224 for the 10 months of FY 02. The DOS provided cost estimates of \$770,100 and \$781,500 for Fis cal Years 2003 and 2004, respectively.

**Oversight** has ranged the fiscal impact from the minimum reimbursement increase of \$3 per day, as provided by the DOS, to the maximum reimbursement increase of \$17 per day (\$37 - \$20). Multiplying the numbers of days of detention by the maximum increase in costs per day (\$17) totals \$4,299,300 for FY 02. However, this total was prorated to 10 months for FY 02, resulting in a total cost estimate of \$3,582,750. Detention costs were increased by 3% for FY 2003 and 2004. All costs were assumed to be appropriated from the General Revenue Fund based on prior funding sources.

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# ASSUMPTION (continued)

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
Costs - Department of Social Services			
Increased Reimbursements to Local Governments for Juvenile Detention	(\$632,224) to (\$3,582,750)	(\$770,100) to (\$4,428,279)	(\$781,500) to (\$4,561,127)
TOTAL ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND	(\$632,224) to (\$3,582,750)	(\$770,100) to (\$4,428,279)	(\$781,500) to (\$4,561,127)
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
Revenue			
Increase in Per Diem Reimbursements	\$632,224 to \$3,582,750	\$770,100 to \$4,428,279	\$781,500 to \$4,561,127
NET EFFECT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS	\$632,224 to \$3,582,750	\$770,100 to \$4,428,279	\$781,500 to \$4,561,127

# FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

# **DESCRIPTION**

The state payments to counties which own or operate homes for neglected and delinquent children are now \$17 per day per child. This proposal would raise the amount to a minimum of \$20 a day to a maximum of \$37 per day per child. In addition, when a child is detained in a facility as provided in Section 211.151, RSMo, the state payment would also be increased from \$17 per day to a minimum of \$20 and maximum of \$37 per day per child.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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# **SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

Department of Social Services Office of State Courts Administrator Office of Administration St. Louis County Family Court

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